



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Lipoa Point Day

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point, located north of Kapalua, West Maui, is one of the most iconic landmarks in Hawai'i and forms part of the area known as the *ahupua'a* of Honolua; and

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point is part of the Honolua-Mokule'ia Life Conservation District, providing breathtaking views of the rugged western Maui coastline; and

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point and Honolua Bay form a very special place with irreplaceable Hawaiian cultural sites, a significance recognized and built upon by its history as the departure site for the Hawaiian voyaging canoe Hōkūle'a on her maiden voyage in 1976; it is also the location of many features of great historical, cultural and archeological value, including two *heiau*, boulders with grinding surfaces, house platforms, burial mounds, and agricultural terraces; and

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point and Honolua Bay are home to one of the most rich marine ecosystems in Hawai'i, with an abundance of biodiversity that includes many fish species in great number; and

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point and Honolua Bay are enjoyed by *kama'āina* as popular recreational areas for snorkeling and surfing while also attracting countless visitors and offering unique and memorable experiences, generating revenue for the State's top industry; and

WHEREAS, Lipoa Point's acquisition by the State removes the threat of development, while making possible the creation of a comprehensive management plan to preserve the land in perpetuity for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Acting Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 9, 2014, as

“LIPOA POINT DAY”

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the invaluable natural resources—as well as the cultural and historical significance—of this exceptional place, and working to preserve it for the enrichment and enjoyment of future generations.

DONE at Wailuku, Maui, State of Hawai'i, this ninth day of October, 2014.

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Acting Governor, State of Hawai'i